

ARIZONA VETERANS' SERVICE ADVISORY COMMISSION
4141 N. Third Street, Phoenix AZ 85012
Thursday – November 20, 2008

M I N U T E S

Call to Order - The meeting was called to order at 1:21 p.m. by Chairman Yamanouchi.

Present

Advisory Commissioners

Kenneth Yamanouchi, Chairman
Linda Fulkerson, Vice Chairman
Thomas Heaney
Gary Fredricks
Larry McKim
Terrie Gent
George Cushing

Arizona Department of Veterans' Services

Robert Barnes, Deputy Director
Dave Hampton, Public Information Officer
Lee Borgen, Veterans' Benefits Counselor

Absent

Bill Lunsford
Phillip Quochcytewa

Opening – Chairman Yamanouchi opened the meeting at 1:21 p.m. via telephone conference call with attendees.

Chairman Yamanouchi stated that the reason for the conference call meeting was to review and make recommendation on the naming of a specific mountain in North Phoenix "Veterans Mountain." The peak in question is just west of the junction of Highway 51 and Dunlap Avenue.

Commissioner McKim moved: "The Arizona Veterans' Services Advisory Commission agrees in principle and supports the notion of recognizing veterans however; a decision could not be reached with insufficient information about this particular peak." The motion was seconded by Vice Chairman Fulkerson. Discussion included:

- Phoenix Parks and Recreation is on record in opposition to the proposal. The objection of Parks and Recreation was clarified by Dave Hampton and is not considered to be an issue.
- Is the proposed "mountain" actually a mountain or an unrecognizable hill?
- The location of the "mountain;" there appears to be other geographic features in close proximity that are of greater elevation.

Commissioner Fredricks called for the vote. Chairman Yamanouchi called for a voice by name. The vote was five in favor with Commissioner Gent against the motion presented by Commissioner McKim. Commissioner Gent stated for the record that she supports the existing proposal, as submitted by the Arizona Veterans Mountain Project.

Adjournment – Chairman Yamanouchi adjourned the meeting at 1:48 p.m. (Moved by Commissioner Cushing and seconded by Vice Chairman Fulkerson.) The next meeting will be held at 10:00 a.m. on December 11, 2008 at the Arizona State Veteran Home, 4141 North Third Street, Phoenix Arizona.

Respectfully submitted,

S. Lee Borgen
Secretary